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Bibiano announces 23-member squad for SAFF U-19 C'ship

coach Bibiano Fernandes announced a 23-member India squad for the SAFF U-19 Championship, which will be held in Arunachal Pradesh from May 9-18.

The Blue Colts arrived in Itanagar on April 30 with a 25-member probables squad and have been training in the city ahead of the subcontinental tourna-



players, who appeared for the trials. I was not surprised when I saw the talent that these boys have. I was really happy with the quality of scouting conducted to find these

players. It has been a long process of building the team from there on. It was nice of the federation to get us here early to acclimatise to the altitude, the ground, the weather, and everything else. We've also played some practice matches, both in Bengaluru and in Itanagar, which have really helped us develop as a team

- Bibiano Fernandes, head coach

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PTI. ITANAGAR: Head ment, after an initial camp in Bengaluru.

Fernandes said, "We started more than a month back in Bengaluru with around 50 scouted players, who appeared for the trials. I was not surprised when I saw the talent that these

boys have.' "I was really happy with the quality of scouting conducted to find these play-

ers. It has been a long pro-

Goalkeepers: Aarush Hari, Aheibam Suraj Singh, Rohit **Defenders:** Ashik Adhikari, Takhellambam Bungson Singh, Jodric Abranches, Malemngamba Singh Thokchom, Mohammed Kaif, Sumit Sharma Brahmacharimayum, Sohum Utreja, Roshan Singh Thangjam

Midfielders: Danny Meitei Laishram, Gurnaj Singh Grewal, Md Arbash, Ningthoukhongjam Rishi Singh, **Singamayum Shami**

Forwards: Ahongshangbam Samson, Bharat Lairenjam, Chaphamayum Rohen Singh, Omang Dodum, Prashan Jajo, Hemneichung Lunkim, Yohaan Benjamin **Head Coach: Bibiano Fernandes**

Assistant coach: Shafeeg Hassan M Goalkeeper coach: **Dipankar Choudhury**

a team," he said.

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MAPUSA/RAIA: Bidesh XI

SC had an easy outing as

they drubbed Saligao Unit-

ed SC by 4-0 margin in the

inaugural match of the Can-

dolim Panchayat Cup 2025

organised by Candolim Sports club at Dr Gustavo

Monteiro ground, Candolim.

off by acting Candolim Sar-

panch Amalina Dias.

Kunal

The match was kicked

Bidesh XI SC took an ear-

Salgaonkar, who

ly lead in the very second

minute of play through

tapped the ball into the

goal of a cross by Prajot Naik, 1-0. Just three min-

utes later, Akash Kudnekar

On crossing ends, Bidesh

XI SC scored their third goal

through Akash Kudnekar by tapping the ball home

Saligao United did have

their chances but their

Hosts Rebello

Pandal to meet

Carmel Boys in final

entered the final of 18th Re-

Carmel Boys, Curtorim,

once again of a cross.

minute of play.

doubled the lead.

India have been drawn in

Group B of the champion-

ship, alongside Nepal and

Strength and conditioning coach: Chelston Pinto

cess of building the team and everything else. We've from there on." also played some practice matches, both in Bengaluru

The 48-year-old, who had won SAFF junior and in Itanagar, which have championships on three really helped us develop as occasions, different stressed the importance of the acclimatisation period given to the team.

"It was nice of the feder-Sri Lanka, and begin their campaign on May 9 against ation to get us here early to acclimatise to the altitude, the latter, at the Golden Juthe ground, the weather, bilee Stadium.



The Goa team clinched the second place in the Women's 40+ category at the first India event organised by HYROX, at Mumbai, recently. The team that participated in the global fitness race, which combined running with functional workouts, was trained by Gilroy D'Souza at Liveinlean, Anjuna. Team Goa comprised Arti Mohite, Maria Mani Kumar, Judith Azavedo, and Duraiya Lokhandwala

Fatorda Veterans face

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RAIA: Margao Sports Club were lucky to put it across CAC Cansaulim 1-0 to enter the quarter-finals of Cavelossim Villagers UK Cup 2025 organised by Santa Cruz Club of Cavelossim at Fr Druston and Wellington ground, Cavelossim, on Tuesday. absorbing In an

pre-quarterfinal match CAC Cansaulim had a great opportunity to move ahead when they were awarded an indirect free-kick in the penalty box but Slevin de Mello's shot was wellblocked by Elroy Barreto for an abortive corner.

Elroy Barreto Again crossed the ball to unmarked Hanslam Furtado whose header missed the goal by inches. However, it was Margao

SC, who broke the deadlock when Clencio Pinto collected a through pass from Alfred Noronha and shot a powerful grounder into the right corner of the goal to score what turned out to be the only goal of the match.



Margao SC book last eight berth

Sports Secretary Peter Cardozo presents the Food Court manof-the-match award to Aswin Fernandes of CAC Cansaulim in presence of Joint Sports Secretary Glenn Gracias **Ambaulim Boys**

CAC Cansaulim had a in guarters golden opportunity in the Ambaulim Boys, Amsecond half to restore parity when Valito handled baulim, moved past Rosary the ball into the penalty Boys, Davorlim, 3-1 to enarea crossed by Aswin but ter into the quarter-finals goalkeeper Glen Fernandes of 5th 8-a-side football easily blocked the resulttournament organised by ant spot kick taken by Aron Davorlim Sports and Cultur-Fernandes to keep his slate al Club at Laymati ground, Davorlim, on Tuesday

In the inaugural match,

Ambaulim Boys started

the match on a fast pace

and scored two quick goals

through Mevzen and Brad-

ley in the 14th and 26th

minute and remained 2-0

ahead at the half time.

clean. Cansaulim moved CAC players in front in search of an equaliser but Margao SC defence stood firm to take their



The man-of-the-match was awarded to Clifton Rebello of Verna Social and Cultural Club

In the second session, Ambaulim Boys increased the tally through Selton in the 44th minute, while Peter Colaco pulled one goal back for Rosary Boys in the injury time.

Verna SCC

move head

Verna Social and Cultural Club downed St Rock Youth Club. Majorda. 2-0 to move ahead in the St Rock's Super Soccer inter-village football tournament played at Majorda ground, on Tuesday.

Verna Social and Cultural Club netted a goal each through Clifton Rebello and Royston Rego.



presented by Avelino Silva



The man-of-the-match award was presented to Richard Cardozo of

ian Angel Sports Club to book their place in the final of 27th Holy Cross inter-village football tournament held at Vodlemoll ground. Kakoda, on Tuesday.

launched relentless attacks

In the first half, Guardi-

an Angel SC dominated the

ball possession pressing high and keeping Uguem RC's defence on their toes.

However, the second half

saw a shift in momentum.

with Uguem RC taking con-

trol and launching repeat-

Despite several close

chances, neither team

could break the deadlock

The match proceeded

to a tie-breaker where-

in Uguem RC proved

more clinical. Francisco,

Prathamesh, Rutik and Is-

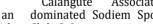
rael successfully converted

their penalties, while only

in the regulation time.

ed offensives.

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Colaco memorial football: BenficaYC in last eight

In a high scoring thriller of the 1st Late Antonio Colaco memorial football tournament, Benfica Youth Club, Vasco, pipped Sao Jose de Areal SC 10-9 via tie-breaker to enter into the last eight of Mandopa Sports Club football tournament played at Rosary Church ground, Navelim, on Tuesday

Both teams remained 3-3 draw at full time. Bersal Viegas scored a brace, while Platini scored the third goal for Sao Jose de Areal SC and for Benfica Youth Club Royann, Sidney and Jhonson scored one goal each.

In the resultant tie-breaker, Benfica YC proved to be the better shooters.

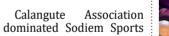
Nerul Cup: Calangute Assn in quarters



strikers failed to deliver the **Calangute Association** goods. Kunal Shetgaokar made it 4-0 in the 55th

The clash

in pursuit of a goal.



Fractures Verem in final today

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PANJIM: Fatorda Veterans sailed into the final of Panjim Veterans Football tournament edging out Bardez Veterans 3-0 in the semi-final played at Taleigao ground, on Tuesday.

Both teams started the match on an attacking note in search of early goals. Benedict Fernandes of Bardez Veterans put in his own goal and gave Fatorda Veterans lead in the first half.

Earlier, Fractures Verem

Richard Carvalho. In the dving minute. Fatorda Veterans made it 3-0 through Milagres Fernandes, of a pass from Precly Pereira.

Veterans moved into the final of Paniim Veterans football tournament organised by Panjim Veterans defeating Goa Police 5-3 via tie-breaker in the semi-final played at Taleigao ground, on Sunday.

PANJIM VETERANS FOOTBALL

As the match progressed, in the 30th minute, Bardez Veterans equalised almost in the similar fashion but Fatorda Veterans strong defender Anthony Pereira (former Mahindra & Mahindra player; Vincent Colaso, former Dempo SC player and Venacio Gonsalves, former Sporting Clube de Goa player didn't allow Bardez forward to equalise.

In the second half, Fator-HERALD PIC

Both the teams were 0-0 at the full time.

In the closing period of the first half, Nicolau Borges of Fractures Verem Veterans almost scored darting inside the box and after dribbling past defender Anthony Fernandes of Goa ball towards the goal only to find Goa Police Veterans

In the second half, Beneda Veterans doubled the lead through the efforts of dict D'Souza and Ravi Govekar of Goa Police Veterans missed an easy sitter. Alex Alvares, former Dempo SC player and Mathew Gonsalves, former FC Pune

player were the solid rock in the Fractures Verem Veterans' defence and didn't allow Goa Police Veterans forward to penetrate.

Both the teams got equal numbers of scoring opportunities but failed to break the deadlock till the final whistle.

In the resultant tie-breaker, Avinash Shirodkar, Jitender Calangutkar, Mel-

wyn Fernandes, Nicolau Borges, Radakrishna Detai scored for Fractures Verem Veterans, while Rohidas Mhaloji, Vinod Wilson, Benedict D'Souza scored for Goa Police Veterans. Anthony Fernandes' kick was saved by Camilo Barreto of Fractures Verem Veterans.

Fatorda Veterans will meet Fractures Verem Veterans in the final on May 7, at the Santa Cruz ground.

bello Pandal football tournament defeating Ghantimorod Boys, Navelim, 6-5, via tie-breaker at St Rita Church ground, Maina-Curtorim, on Tuesday.

Both teams played on a fast pace and couldn't break the deadlock and remained 0-0 till the full time. In the resultant tie-breaker, Carmel Boys proved to be the better shooters.

Meliston Dias of Ghantamorod Navelim was awarded the man-of-the-match by Rosario Fernandes.

Hosts Rebello Pandal will meet Carmel Boys in the final on Sunday, at 4.30 pm.

Holy Cross football: Uquem RC to battle with Betalbatim SC for title

Uguem Rising Club secured a dramatic 4-2 victory via tie-breaker over Guard-

TODAY'S SPORTS

9-a-side inter-village floodlight football

RAIA: Ambelim Sports Club will organise their 1st 9-a-side inter-village floodlight football tournament at Ambelim complex from May 11. Teams desirous of participating should contact the club.

GOA DIARY

GFA Division I Play-Offs League: St Anthony SC, Marna-Siolim vs Santa Cruz Club of Cavelossim, at Nagoa ground, 4.15 pm. Chapora Yuvak Sangh vs Candolim SC, at Duler Stadium, Mapusa, 4.15 pm

Panjim Veterans soccer (final): Fatorda Veterans vs Fractures Verem Veterans, at the Santa Cruz ground, 5 pm

Exhibition match: Senior Citizen 60 vs Veterans 50, at Santa Cruz ground, 4.15 pm

Cavelossim Villagers UK Cup 2025: Cuncolim Union vs Curtorim Gymkhana, at the Fr Druston and Wellington ground, Cavelossim, 4.30 pm

5th All Goa 8-a-side football: Guardian Angel SC, Curchorem, vs Our Lady of Fatima SC, Baida-Chinchinim, at the Lavamati ground, Davorlim, 4.30 pm

33rd St Rock Super Soccer: Parish Youth Nuvem vs Betalbatim SC, at the Majorda ground, 4.30 pm

eye-catching affair, with Club 2-0 to enter into the both teams showcasing exquarter-finals of Nerul ceptional skill and deter-Cup 2025 organised by Nerul Sports Club at Nerul mination. Spectators were glued to the action from ground, on Tuesday. start to finish as both sides

Calangute Association netted a goal each through Pedro Gonsalves, Richard Cardoso in the 16th and 52nd minute respectively.



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Chief guest Pascoal Pereira (former Dempo

SC player) presents the man-of-the-match

award to Seby Fernandes of Bardez Veterans

Rohidas Mhaloji of Goa Police Veterans receives the man-of-the-match award from chief guest Verem businessman Sachin Satadekar

Police Veterans placed the

custodian Rupesh Kamoj retreat and gather the ball.